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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

AL European Application 0 965 357
AM European Application 0 776 672
AN European Application 0 671 180
AO European Application 0 548 624

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

Each of the above references was cited in a Search Report rendered by the Swedish Patent Office during examination of the Swedish application corresponding to the present United States application. All of these references were cited in Category "A" as general technological background information. A copy of the Swedish Search Report is submitted herewith.



Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith. Since all of those references are in English, no further commentary concerning their teachings is necessary.

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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